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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-21, 24-28, 31-34 and 36-37 are pending in the application, of which claims 1, 9, 12, 18, 24, 26-27, 31-32 and 37 are independent. Claims 1, 6-7, 13, 18, and 27-28 are amended herein. Claims 6 and 13 have been amended to correct a minor clerical error. Claims 22-23, 29-30 and 35 are canceled. Applicants thank the Examiner for the thorough examination of the application and also for the indication that claims 9-10, 12-14, 24, 26, 31-34 and 36-37 are allowed.

No new matter has been added. Each of the amendments is of a nature that would not require a new search. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that the amendments be entered. Further, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of claims 1-8, 11, 15-21, 25 and 27-28 and maintaining of the allowance of claims 9-10, 12-14, 24, 26, 31-34 and 36-37.

I. Rejection of Claims 1-8, 11, 15-23, 25 and 27-28 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

Claims 1-8, 11, 15-23, 25 and 27-28 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Gwon (CN 1361510) in view of Kasai (6,989,826). The cancellation of claims 22-23 renders the rejections of claims 22-23 moot. The rejections of claims 1-8, 11, 15-21, 25 and 27-28 are respectfully traversed.

In order to expedite allowance of the present application, Applicants have amended claims 1, 18 and 27. In more detail, claim 1 has been amended to recite limitations similar to those recited in allowed claim 9. As amended, claim 1 recites: "... wherein the selection signal from said one of the two adjacent scan lines is used as the second control signal." As such, claim 1 is believed to be allowable.

Similarly, claim 18 has been amended to recite limitations similar to those recited in allowed claim 24. As amended, claim 18 recites: "... wherein the first transistor is electrically isolated from the display element in response to a second control signal during the second time

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period, and wherein the second control signal is the selection signal from said one of the two adjacent scan lines." As such, claim 18 is believed to be allowable.

Similarly, claim 27 has been amended to recite: ". . . wherein the switching means is controlled by one of the select signal or a previous select signal." As such, claim 27 is believed to be allowable.

Claims 2-8, 11 and 15-16, claims 19-21 and 25, and claim 28 depend, either directly or indirectly, from claim 1, claim 18 and claim 27, respectively. As such, these dependent claims incorporate all the terms and limitations of their respective base claim in addition to other limitations, which together further patentably distinguish these claims over the prior art of record. Further, claim 17 recites, among other features, the limitations of claim 1. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that claims 2-8, 11, 15-17, 19-21, 25 and 28 be allowed.

II. Allowed Claims

Applicants acknowledge the indication in the Office action that claims 9-10, 12-14, 24, 26, 31-34 and 36-37 are allowed. Applicants respectfully request that the allowance of these claims be maintained.

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III. Closing Remarks

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants earnestly solicit an early issuance of a Notice of Allowance with claims 1-21, 24-28, 31-34 and 36-37. If there are any remaining issues that can be addressed over the telephone, the Examiner is cordially invited to call Applicants' attorney at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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